

# Arthritis Foundation

## Arthritis Ambassador Briefing

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[http://www.arthritis.org/ambassador\\_assignment.php](http://www.arthritis.org/ambassador_assignment.php)

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3PM Eastern



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# Agenda

- **Welcome & September Assignment Recap** – *Laurie Markle, Manager, Grassroots Advocacy*
- **Arthritis.org/Marketplace** – *Kimberly Beer, Director, Advocacy*
- **Capitol Hill Update**– *Eric Gascho, Director, Government Affairs, National Health Council*
- **October Ambassador Assignment: Review Activity Summary Report** - *Laurie Markle, Manager, Grassroots Advocacy*
- **Remaining 2013 Briefing Schedule**– *Laurie Markle*
- **2013 Advocacy Leadership Awards**– *Laurie Markle*
- **Q&A**

# September 19<sup>th</sup> Briefing: Assignment Recap

## House Briefing

- No Ambassador Request
- Offices Represented: 13 (3%)

## Senate Briefing

- 43 Ambassadors Participated
- Offices Represented: 36 (36%)

# Senate 19<sup>th</sup> Briefing Participation

STATE	OFFICE REPRESENTING	NAME	STATE	OFFICE REPRESENTING	NAME
AL	Senator Richard Shelby	M.V. Young	ND	Senator John Hoeven	Tyler H.
AR	Senator John Boozman	Jack Sisson	ND	Senator John Hoeven	Shalynn Jeske
AR	Senator Mark Pryor	Tate Heuer	NH	Senator Kelly Ayotte	Shaylyn Kelly
CA	Senator Barbara Boxer	Ben Kallen	NH	Senator Jeanne Shaheen	Francesca Amodeo
CA	Senator Dianne Feinstein	Andrew Hosea	NJ	Senator Jeff Chisea	Marissa Watkins
CA	Senator Dianne Feinstein	David Semelsberger	NY	Senator Kirsten Gillibrand	Dan Handy
CO	Senator Michael Bennet	Molly Fishman	NY	Senator Charles Schumer	Erin O'Rourke
FL	Senator Bill Nelson	Kerry Allen	OH	Senator Sherrod Brown	Abigail Duggan
HI	Senator Mazie Hirono	Chris Cryan	PA	Senator Bob Casey	Sara Mabry
IL	Senator Richard Durbin	Scott Leezer	PA	Senator Pat Toomey	Tessie Abraham
IL	Senator Mark Kirk	Jamie Sawicz	RI	Senator Jack Reed	Marc Capuano
KS	Senator Jim Moran	Josh Allmayer	RI	Senator Sheldon Whitehouse	TJ Garrigan
KS	Senator Patrick Roberts		SC	Congressman Jeff Duncan	Hilary Ranieri
KY	Senator Mitch McConnell		SD	Senator Tim Johnson	Corinne Pickus
LA	Congressman Bill Cassidy	Elizabeth Waring	SD	Senator John Thune	Isaiah Wonnenberg
MA	Senator Elizabeth Warren	Gordon Bailey	TN	Senator Lamar Alexander	Sam Williams
MI	Senator Carl Levin	Emily Serkaian	TN	Congresswoman Diane Black	Cecelia Mitchell
NC	Senator Kay Hagan	Elizabeth Farrar	TN	Senator Bob Corker	James Tatgenhorst
NC	Senator Kay Hagan	Joshua Teitelbaum	VA	Senator Tim Kaine	Caroline Robinson
			WI	Congressman Mark Pocan	Leslie Zelenko
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# Arthritis.org/Marketplace

**On the phone:**

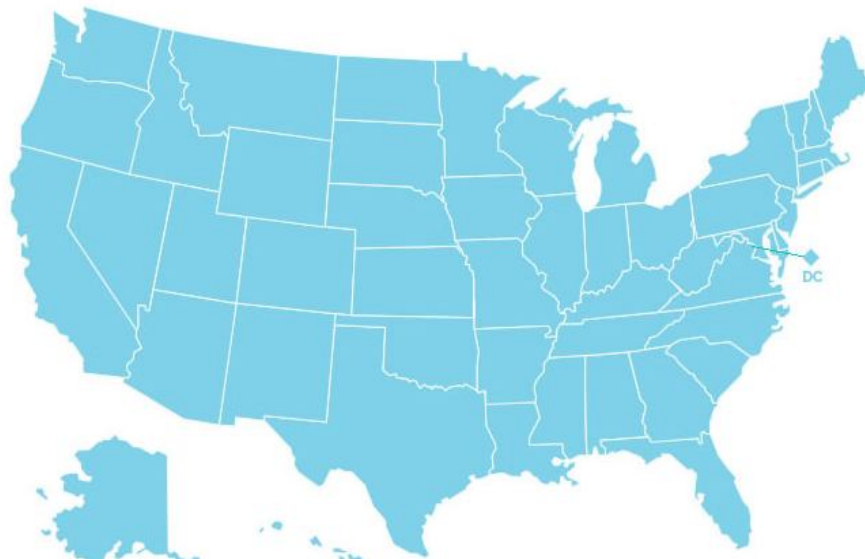
Kimberly Beer, Director, Advocacy, Arthritis Foundation

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**Click on your state below to access the Marketplace Checklist and details on your Marketplace plan options**



## Health Insurance Marketplace Checklist

Aside from the web-based tool, we have developed a sharable PDF-based version of the Marketplace checklist. This asset will allow the checklist to be able to be printed, downloaded, emailed, and shared through social media channels. As the PDF toolkit is intended to be shared, it will not have the same context as the background resources that the full AF Marketplace Toolkit. Based on this, the PDF checklist includes additional explanatory information to provide the appropriate context for the questions that individuals need to consider when making their healthcare coverage and benefits decisions.

### Introduction

When thinking about your choices for health insurance coverage in the Marketplace, there are many things to think over. Individuals with arthritis should think about more than just a plan's monthly premium. This checklist will help you organize coverage and cost factors when choosing a health insurance plan in the Marketplace.

- Do you need coverage for yourself or for a family? You may need a different plan than your family members.
- Do you think you will need help paying for the costs of a Marketplace plan? If so, have you applied for subsidies?
- What "metal level" is the plan you are thinking about? Does it meet your needs and your budget?

### Physician & Hospital Services

# Capitol Hill Update

## **On the phone:**

Eric Gascho, Director of Government Affairs,  
National Health Council

# October Ambassador Assignment

- Review Ambassador Activity Report on Current Assignment Website:  
[www.arthritis.org/ambassador\\_assignment.php](http://www.arthritis.org/ambassador_assignment.php)
- Update any errors by reporting to [arthritis.org/report](http://arthritis.org/report).
- To correct errors, please share with me any records, notes, or correspondence validating that you've completed the assignment.
- Also share any additional work you've done! We want to know about it!

# Remaining 2013 Schedule

**November 6, 2013 at 3:00pm Eastern**

- Assignment
- Announce 2013 Platinum Ambassadors
- Roll out 2014 Platinum Ambassador Criteria



# 2013 Advocacy Leadership Awards

- **Emerging Leader in Advocacy Award:**

Katherine Herrmann of Harrison, Ohio

- **Edward M. Kennedy Advocacy Leadership Award:**

Amy Barron of Cincinnati, Ohio